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# **DUNKIRK SPIRIT LIVES ON**

Veterans celebrate 70th anniversary of dramatic rescue with Channel crossing



# CAB CRISIS OVER NEW RAIL PLAZA

TAXI drivers have responded angrily to plans for a 'pedestrian plaza' outside Ashford International which will see the rank limited to three spaces "hidden away over a footbridge".

Drivers have warned that business people visiting Ashford will find it harder to get taxis, and disabled and elderly people will have to walk across the square

Cabbie Tracey Ruck said: "There are 104 registered taxis in Ashford and

BY ED HILL

they will leave us with just three spaces. We will be hidden away over a footbridge at the biggest mainline station in the county.

"The problem is they don't consider this part of the station as a transport hub, when clearly it is. We have a lot of business people visiting the town and they will have no taxis and people who cannot walk far won't be able to call us over."

Mick Hildreth GMB Secretary of the Professional Drivers National Organising Committee said: "It seems ridiculous that both taxis and buses working from Ashford Station are being moved to make way for an area described by Southeastern Trains as a 'pedestrian plaza'.

"It's quite clear from evidence in a recent report to the Government that taxis are an integral part of the local transport infrastructure and should be positioned as close to train station entrances as possible."

entrances as possible."

Work on the scheme, which will include new seating, landscaping, walkways and better access for cyclists and pedestrians, is due to start later this month.

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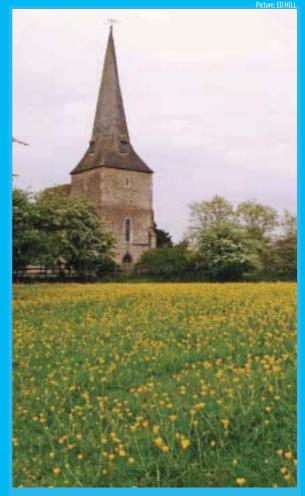
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# **SEA OF GOLD**

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**EXPANSION:** Critics say Lydd's financial losses are a sign that an expansion is pointless

# Lydd cash crisis may keep growth plans grounded

#### ■ BY **James Alexandre**

LYDD Airport, also known as London-Ashford, has reported losses of nearly £2 million in its latest accounts, leading to criticism that its controversial expansion plans will fail to create demand.

But managing director Jonathan Gordon hit back and said delays to its planning permission being granted were partly to blame and the future for regional airports looked healthy.

The expansion plans approved in March for a 300 metre runway extension and new terminal building capable of handling 500,000 passengers a year. But the permission is on hold after conservation body Natural England lodged an appeal and could go to a public

According to anti-expansion group LAAG, the latest accounts for the year to December 2008 reveal that turnover was £539,972 with losses of £1,934,173.

There are accumulated losses of £10.6million, with the airport's owner Sheikh Fahad al-Athel keeping the company afloat. It is believed he is owed £6 million, according to the group.

Passenger figures also show that

passenger numbers had more than

halved in the last year down to 588. The LAAG says the airport is currently operating at one per cent of its current capacity.

Louise Barton of LAAG said: "We are now in 2010 and the airport has failed to attract any new customers.

"A new airport will not create demand or the ludicrous job numbers marketed by Lydd Airport.'

The controversial scheme passed by Shepway council has received objections on environmental grounds. Ashford council also objected to the plans because of the strain it would create on the borough's roads, its affects on tourism and increased flights over the area.

In response Mr Gordon said: "The airport has sustained losses since 2001 when Sheikh Fahad al-Athel first invested.

"These losses rose steadily from 2001 until a full complement of fire crew, air traffic and other support staff were in place and have been maintained at about £2m a year since. There were some cut backs but the Sheikh has largely maintained the work force.

"The delay in obtaining planning permission for our development has, of course, been unhelpful."

"I took over as managing director in the autumn of 2009 and have advised the Sheikh that we need to sustain losses for another few years yet. However, despite the very marked dip in the economy, I am confident the long-term growth trends will return and this will have a positive effect on regional growth."

### **'Deprived of existing** reliable service'

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The £2.5 million project is funded through Government growth area funding and is being coordinated by Ashford's Future with Southeastern.

Mr Hildreth added: "We support changes to streets and squares to make them pedestrian-friendly but we cannot sit by and allow essential transport to be moved to a position where the travelling public will not be able to see them. There is no consideration given to the disabled, infirm or mothers with young children who use the services provided by taxis and buses.

"If this project continues, people will be deprived of an existing convenient and reliable service."

But Cllr Michael Claughton, who chairs Ashford Access, said disabled people's views had been taken into

He said: "We have had three meetings with the architect and the station manager. We have had walka-bouts with the architect and made our views known. Those views are being accommodated as much as they can. There has to be a balance with such a scheme, but from Ashford Access's point of view we are pretty happy with what is being pro-

"People may have to travel a few extra yards on their journey but we are taking this scheme forward in a positive frame of mind.'

Mr Claughton said it would be impossible to be sure how the new scheme would work out until it was

He said: "Our concerns have not been ignored. If the scheme is up and running and we think improvements can be made, we will tell them."

### Take a walk in the moonlight for charity

WITH just over four weeks to go organisers are urging women to sign

up now to stroll for charity.

The opportunity is still available to join the 600 already registered to some the ladies-only 10km sponsored Moonlight Walk through the streets of Ashford starting at the Designer Outlet at 10.30pm on Saturday, June 24, in aid of the Pilgrims Hospice.

The charity only continues to function thanks to community fundraising

There will be teams of volunteers out with entry forms at the ASDA store today at Folkestone Racecourse Ladies Day on Monday, June 7, County Square, Ashford on June 9, in Ashford town centre, and at both Hamstreet and Brabourne and Smeeth village fetes on June 12.

# Monthly skin clinic goes on trial

THE NHS is setting up a six-month trial in Sellindge to deal with patient's skin conditions.

Dermatology consultants Dr Kurt Ayerst, who is usually based at William Harvey, and Dr Catriona Irvine from Kent and Canterbury Hospital, are setting up the monthly clinics at a doctor's practice in the vil-

The consultants will be supported by nurse Ruth Wright who has received additional training in dermatology. They will diagnose, treat and monitor skin conditions, such as es and birth marks. However, patients with skin cancer will continue to be referred to a hospital.

It is hoped the clinics will be rolled

out across the whole of the Eastern and Coastal Kent area if the trial is a

Practice GP Dr Giuseppina Del Bianco said: "This is good news for our patients. By offering this service, patients will be seen more quickly and their medical and drug history is available to the visiting consultant.

"They can be monitored closer to

home and avoid a trip to hospital. We are hoping to improve the knowledge and training of all our doctors and nurses which will have the benefit of reducing the number of patients having to go to hospital."

Sue Luff, commissioner for derma-

tology services for NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent said: "Patients have been telling us they would like services closer to home. We will be looking at how the project is progressing with a view to setting up similar clinics in other parts of eastern and coastal Kent."

# Emotional reunion on the Medway Queen

# Veteran meets 1940 saviour

#### BY NICK AMES

ERIC Woodroffe and Albert George were at sea together for the first time on board the pleasure cruiser Medway Queen off the beaches of Dunkirk 70 years ago.

During Operation Dynamo to save soldiers from the beaches, Mr Woodroffe, now 92, from Canterbury was on his sixth mercy mission across the channel.

Today, as the 70th anniversary was celebrated, volunteers are seeking to preserve the Medway Queen as a memorial to the vessels which took part in the evacuation.

Mr George, who now lives in Ashford, was one of the hundreds of men desperate to escape the beaches strewn with dead and dying men.

And last week the two met properly on as veterans headed back to Dunkirk for the 70th anniversary of the evacuation.

The decades have not diminished Mr George's gratitude to the ship and its crew.

"The Medway Queen was my guardian angel," said Mr George who was led on board



SHIPS AHOY: A patrol boat leads the Little Ships across the Channel to celebrate the 70th anniversary since Dunkirk

the ship along with 15 others as bombs and shells rocked the shoreline.

"It feels wonderful to see one of the men who rescued me. I nearly fell over and kissed him."

Mr Woodroffe who was a member of the Royal Naval Reserve, made a total of seven trips to the beaches sometimes under attack by German dive bombers.

The Medway Queen – which is in the process of being restored after it was abandoned on an isolated creek on the Isle of Grain for decades – was designed as a river-going paddle steamer

rather than an ocean going warship.

Its shallow draught meant it could get close in to the beaches and pick up soldiers without grounding.

But its design also meant it was prone to capsizing if overloaded.

"She was not very stable," said Mr Woodroffe. "When we got back within sight of Dover someone would say 'there's Dover Castle' and there would be quite a heel (list to one side) as the soldiers rushed over to look.

Return to Dunkirk see pages 6 and 7

# **Stone thrower could** have killed driver

POLICE say a woman narrowly missed being killed after a stone was thrown at her car from a bridge.

The 27-year-old driver from Essex was in a Black Kia Sorento travelling along the A2070 when a large stone hit and cracked her windscreen.

The incident happened just as she had driven under the bridge at the Park Farm roundabout.

About £50 worth of damage was done to the screen on May 22 at 12.30pm. The woman was left shaken by what hap-

A police patrol attended the scene and made an area search, but no one wasfound. However, due to the impact and the lack of other traffic on the road at time, it is assumed that the large stone was thrown from the footbridge at the car.

CI John Frayne said: "This is a very stupid thing to do. This could have quite easily smashed the windscreen and struck the driver with disastrous consequences. There have been incidents of this kind in Ashford before and I cannot emphasise strongly enough that on this occasion the driver was lucky."

If you have any information about this incident call police on 01622 690690 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

# **County Square's** emergency plan

COUNTY Square will host a major training exercise to test emergency crews' response.

The drill takes place at the shopping centre on the evening of Tuesday, June 8.

Thirty firefighters, five engines and specialist vehicles - including a high volume pump from Whitstable capable of delivering up to 8,000 litres of water per minute will be taking part in the exercise.

Roads affected, include East Hill and the High Street.

# **Supermarket** card theft

SHOPPERS using supermarket car parks are being warned about a gang who have been stealing bank cards.

The advice comes after a robbery in the Park Farm Tescos in Ashford as well as supermarkets in Folkestone and Dover.

Police believe the gang, consisting of two men and a young women, distract shoppers by asking them for directions soon after they have finished using the cash machines or have been at the till. It is believed they may be spying on people as they enter their PIN

The stolen cards have later been used in London.

The offenders are described as eastern European with poor

### Cobbs Wood arson

POLICE are investigating a fire at Cobbs Wood industrial Estate.

Three vehicles were burnt out and a building was damaged on Tuesday, May 25, shortly after

midnight.
Police and fire experts are investigating.

If you have information call police on 01622 690690 or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

# Finder told rare coin will go to museum

FELLOW metal detectors celebrated when Dorian Young unearthed an ancient coin while searching fields at Capel-le-Ferne high above Folkestone.

But this week he has been told that his prize find must be kept in the safety of the British Museum as it is one of the finest examples of a coin made in the 5th century and modified in the 6th or 7th to be used as jewellery.

Mr Young, from Greenhithe, who works for the Hospice of Hope charity, attended a hearing in Ashford court on Thursday, where coroner Rachel Redman ruled the coin was treasure trove and owned by the He had told her he was with friends from the Thames & Field Metal Detecting Society on a charity search rally on the Kent coast when he discovered the Visigothic gold coin after two hours of searching and immediately handed it over to officials.

"It was a fine example and although a single coin is not normally regarded as treasure trove this been modified later and is so rare that the British Museum want to keep it."

Mrs Redman congratulated him on his success and said that he would be rewarded for the find. The compensation sum has not yet been agreed.





**COINED:** The find is very similar to this Visigothic gold coin from the fifth century



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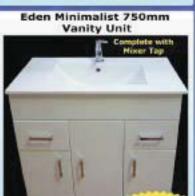
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AFFORDABLE HOMES: Bishop of Dover, Trevor Wilmott, officially opened the new affordable homes in Rolvenden

# New housing to make village life easier to afford

TWELVE new affordable homes will help secure the future of Rolvenden village according to a housing association.

A special legal agreement means that only households with a genuine local connection are allocated the homes, under a scheme pioneered by housing association English Rural Housing.

People eligible include those who already live in the village, people who grew up there and who have moved away and need to return to support their family, and those who work in the village

The popularity of Rolvenden with its near-by station of Headcorn has pushed house prices beyond the reach of most local people.

#### Reduced

Alison Thompson, regional development manager for English Rural Housing, said: "We sell the properties at reduced market value. In this case we sold them for about £105,000. On the open market they would be worth more than double that.

"The owners own about 52 per cent. We retain a legal charge on the property so that it can never be sold on the open market."

Restricted planning regulations mean the new homes will have to remain in the local community for perpetuity. They cannot be sold on the open market and tenants do not have a right to buy as with other social housing.

Ms Thompson said: "I think now people can see it is allowing young people to stay in the village they are happy. Young people and

#### BY **ED HILL**

young families will support the community in the future."

The greenfield site would not normally be granted planning permission for housing but because it was an affordable housing scheme to meet the need of the community, Ashford council passed the development.

The homes are the result of a partnership between English Rural Housing Association, Ashford council and Rolvenden Parish Council. The land was once owned by the local priest and was sold by the Diocese of Canterbury.

The development was officially opened by Trevor Willmott, the Bishop of Dover,

The scheme was funded by money from the Government's affordable housing programme.

Four of the homes have been sold on a shared ownership basis and the other eight have been made available on affordable rents.

The homes have been built to level three sustainability code and include environmental features such as ground source heat pumps to provide heating and hot water. They have also been designed to reduce anti social behaviour.

English Rural Housing is building 120 properties around the borough with Ashford council. It also has sites in Godmersham, Charing and Egerton.

Ms Thompson said: "This is a very attractive development built to a high standard with people of all ages developing a network of friends. It is a community within a community."

# Victim Support chief has died aged 46

A DEDICATED Victim Support manager from Ashford has died suddenly at the age of just 46.

Robert Chambers was based at the charity's offices in Beaver Road.

Mr Chambers became involved in the group when it was relocated to Ashford and was interviewed by Yourashford as part of our Q and A feature earlier this year, when he made it clear how much he valued helping others.

Talking about his work at the time he said: "It is very rewarding to be able to help people in such serious difficulties and to work with our brilliant team of volunteers. I had always known about the work of Victim Support from the TV programme Crimewatch.'

Lately Mr Chambers had been working as the charity's vol-unteer and community manager for West Kent and Dartford. Colleagues of Mr Chambers say his death was unexpected. Lorraine Horlock said: "He passed away suddenly last week. He had not been unwell and it came as a great shock to us all in Victim Support."



**SAD LOSS:** Robert Chambers committer to helping others

### yourashford **NEWS** IN BRIEF

# **Leadership consultation**

THE council has launched a consultation about its future structure.

The options are a new-style leader and cabinet or directly elected mayor and cabinet.

The mayor would not be a councillor, but chosen in a separate election. He or she would not represent an individual ward and would also be able to take some decisions alone.

Council members would not able to remove the mayor from office.

The option preferred by the council is the new-style leader and cabinet model where the leader would be a councillor, elected in the normal local elections and appointed as

Leader by the rest of the members.

The council would retain powers to remove the leader from office in certain circumstances.

This arrangement most closely reflects the current system adopted in July 2001. Under both systems the leader or mayor would hold responsibility for all executive functions and would be appointed for a four-year term.

To find out how you can have your say go to www.ashford.gov.uk

### Architect's vision for town

RENOWNED architect Sir Terry Farrell will be outlining his vision for the future of Ashford today (June 2).

At the event held at the International Hotel residents will be able to see an exhibition of some of the new buildings planned for

To ensure as many residents attend the exhibition between 10am and 4pm, a special version of the E-Line bus service will run from the station and town centre to the hotel.

Ashford's Future managing director Judith Armitt said: "Sir Terry has exciting ideas for Ashford and I know he's looking forward to sharing these with us at this event."

#### Nuisance biker warned

POLICE have warned a 17-year-old biker they will seize his motorbike if he continues to cause a nuisance at Kings Tree Wood in Chartfields.

After they received a number of calls from residents on May 22, PCSO Dan Smith went to the scene.

The PCSO found the teenager on an off-road bike and warned him that his behaviour was causing alarm and distress for local people.

Officers say if he is caught again the bike will be seized and could be destroyed.



# The Little Ships that achieved big things

THE legend of the Little Ships lives on.

In Ramsgate last week dozens of craft sailed into the harbour to re-enact the miraculous rescue of thousands upon thousands of Allied troops from the beaches of Dunkirk 70 years ago.

Ships of all shapes and sizes moored up as part of the town's Dynamo Day celebrations on Thursday, which attracted thousands of people.

The event marked the feat of the rescue as well as the town's part in the rescue of some 358,000 servicemen from Normandy as the Nazis made their relentless push to the French beaches.

#### **Tom Tit**

No better example of the Dunkirk spirit exists than the story of the vessel Tom Tit.

The boat made 16 trips back and forth to

larger carrier vessels during the extraordinary evacuation effort.

It was taken without permission from Ramsgate harbour by two young Thanet brothers, Ron and Alan Tomlinson, who worked for local firm Claxton Shipwrights.

Their only thought was to help the evacuation and they took off across the Channel with not a thought for their own safety.

The brothers feared they would get in trou-

sides of the Channel to remember the heroes... and the little ships ble for their efforts and be arrested, but they were rightly commended and praised for their

bravery when they arrived back home. The Tom Tit is now under the ownership of skipper Trevor Phillips, who believes it may have helped rescue up to 500 men and was one of the last boats able to rescue troops from a pier as the Germans were right at the other end.

He said: "What they did was a seriously dangerous thing. The boat caught fire twice! These lads were determined to do their bit and that's a fantastic achievement on their part.

Mr Phillips keeps the boat in first-class order and it spends most of its time in the Thames near his home in Weybridge, Surrey.

The Tom Tit, a port-cruiser, was among the 50 boats that made the crossing to Dunkirk

last week.

Many of those who sail the Little Ships say they feel more like custodians of pieces of history than mere boat-owners.

Tony Farncombe, skipper of the Wanda, a motor-cruiser, said: "Tm very proud to be an owner of a Dunkirk Little Ship.

Last week was the 70th anniversary of the 1940 Dunkirk evacuation.

Reporters Tom Betts and Nick Ames saw celebrations on both

"It's also something that you are very concerned about. You are the keeper of a piece of history and you are passing something on.

"It's a responsibility you have. These boats die very quickly if they don't get regular atten-

tion. We have to look after them."

Ian Gilbert owns the motor-yacht Papillon, which was built in 1930.

He said: "When I had the chance to buy a Dunkirk Little Ship, it seemed too good an opportunity to miss, but these are pieces of history and we must remember that and maintain them in such a way.

"This is my third return and every five years

it becomes more of an occasion - it's a fabulous thing to be involved in.

"It's wonderful that Operation Dynamo and the sacrifices that were made on the beaches is being remembered. It's going to be a big cele-bration in France this weekend."

Ray Dunstone of the Angele Aline, one of the oldest boats to make the intrepid voyage in 1940, also sailed across.

He said: "The Angele Aline is thought to have saved more than 300 soldiers during the Dunkirk rescue, according to records.

"I bought the Angele in 2007 and it's tremendous to be a part of these commemorations when you think about it. It's incredible."

Hundreds of war veterans turned out for

Dynamo Day and the town buzzed with people as Forces sweetheart Kas sang standards such as The White Cliffs of Dover to crowds.

The poignant atmosphere was also evident

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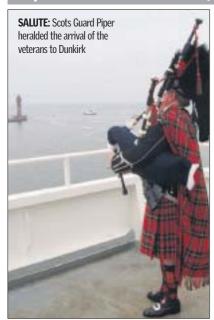


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in the harbour area, where members of the public were invited to meet Little Ships owners and crews where the boats were moored.

Many, such as Ian Frank from Dover, took the chance to board vessels.

He said: "I wanted to come today to see the Little Ships for myself.

"With it being the 70th anniversary, I thought it the ideal time to come down.

"The skippers of the boats I have talked to are all dedicated to keeping them alive and working, which is great to see.

"It's such an inspiring event and I hope the crossing goes well for them tomorrow.

"Dunkirk was not a military triumph as it marked our retreat, but it did show our spirit and camaraderie as never before and probably never since." TB







REMEMBER: The Little Ships arrive off the French coast, left; Veterans recall the dark days of 1940 and the rescue mission, middle; school children from Kent fly the flags in celebration

# The Dunkirk Spirit is alive and well

TALES of heroism, miraculous escapes and tragedy were all shared by Second World War veterans as they paid respects to fallen comrades and remembered the events of 70 years ago in Dunkirk, last week.

The anniversary marked the evacuation of the French port, codenamed Operation Dynamo, which took place between May 26 and June 4, 1940.

A flotilla of 900 naval and civilian craft was sent across the Channel under RAF protection and managed to rescue 338,226 people.

During the evacuation, the Luftwaffe attacks reduced the town of Dunkirk to rubble and destroyed 235 vessels and 106 aircraft.

At least 5,000 soldiers lost their lives.

Although the Germans took more than a million Allied prisoners in three weeks at a cost of 60,000 casualties, the evacuation was a major boost to British morale.

Hundreds of small vessels set sail to bring the troops off the beaches after an order was issued on BBC Radio to "all owners of selfpropelled pleasure craft between 30 and 100 feet in length to send all particulars to the Admiralty".

The Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, described the "miracle of deliverance" from

Dunkirk and warned of an impending invasion in a moving speech to Parliament on the day the last allied soldier arrived home at the end of the 10-day operation.

The 'Dunkirk Špirit' has passed into British folklore and the originators of that phrase remembered proudly the events of early summer 1940.

Veterans, along with guests, schoolchildren and representatives of the Help for Heroes charity arrived in Dunkirk on the Norfolkline ship Maersk Dover accompanied by the Parachute Regimental Band.

Many of the remaining Little Ships also made the crossing for remembrance ceremonies in Dunkirk.

Michael Weller-Bentall, now 89, and with family in Ashford, remembers Dunkirk being like "Dante's Inferno". He said: "When we reached the town it was

on fire. Boats were sunk all along the port. It was like something from Dante's Inferno.

"But I saw a little boat on the edge of the water and it had oars on board. I knew how to row so we made it out to a minesweeper."

On board the ship the rescued soldiers had another slice of luck.

"A dive bomber dropped its bomb straight

into our ammunition compartment," said Mr Weller-Bentall who now lives in Canada and walked to the beaches of Dunkirk over a period of days from near Brussels as the British Army retreated.

"If we hadn't run out we'd have been blown to pieces. I knew nothing about it, though.

"I was asleep and only woke up when we reached Sheerness.

"But if it had gone off I'd have been at the bottom of the Channel."

George Kemp of the Queen's Cameron Highlanders joined the Army in 1940 after seeing footage of the Dunkirk evacuation on the cinema news.

He said: "I knocked two years off my age in order to join up. So the Army still thinks I'm 88 but actually I'm 86.

"It's an honour to pay tribute to the men of Dunkirk today.

"It's great to meet up with some of my former comrades and it's also great to see many current soldiers giving us so much respect."

The ship carrying the veterans left the Port of Dover after an address from Lord Lieutenant of Kent Allan Willett who praised the courage of the men who fought 70 years ago and to the sound of the Parachute Regiment band. NA



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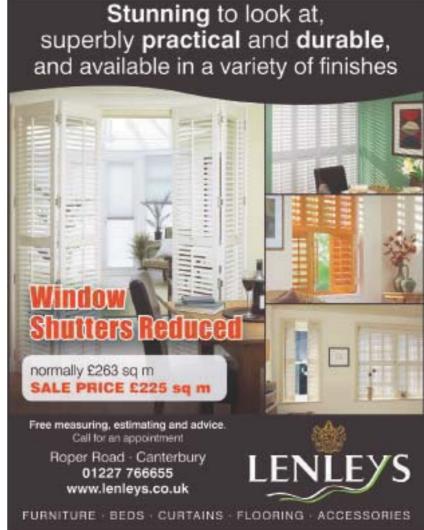
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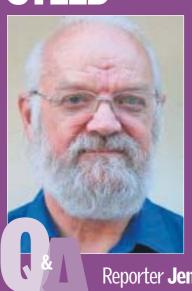
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# yourlocalinterview

# **QUESTION** & ANSWER



### Did the local vote demonstrate anything to you?

Yes. It showed the Canterbury constituen-Yes. It showed the Camerbury conscious acres it is less Conservative than people believe.

If you look at all the Kent constituencies it is the second least Conservative. Dover is the least Conservative, where the Conservatives polled 44 per cent. Canterbury, next, with 44.8 per cent, and then there are constituencies like Dartford with 48.8 per cent, Rochester with 49.2 per cent, Sittingbourne and Sheppey with 50 per cent. They were all held by Labour until the election and yet the Conservative share of the vote is higher. The split of votes in the past has made Canterbury appear more Conservative than it really is.

# How does this year's result compare with last year's?

Just look at the seats around Canterbury A to see what happened to the Conservative vote in the last five years. In Faversham it went up six per cent, in Ashford it went up 2.7 per cent, in Folkestone it didn't go up, I think essentially because Michael Howard had a strong personal vote. In Dover the Conservative share of the vote went up nine per cent. In Thanet North it went up 4.7 per cent, and in Thanet South the Conservative share of the vote went up 6.8 per cent. So, if the Conservatives had done in Canterbury as they were doing in surrounding constituencies, the vote went up a measly 0.3 per cent.

#### Why has this happened?

I think there are two reasons. One is that the Conservatives are not so popular in Canterbury for political reasons. Secondly, the social character of the constituency is chang-

All university seats, which are situated in what used to be Conservative strongholds, have steadily become more left-wing in their voting behaviour. It is not just students of course; it is all the things that come with students, which includes the teaching staff, the young people who come to the city as students then stay on to work.

The Canterbury I knew as a boy was a farmers' market town. It had a strong Church of England and Army presence, unlike the vibrant and metropolitan feel it has today.

### Is it likely to continue changing?

A Yes. It is built into what has happened here. All the Conservative voters in the larger, suburban houses are either moving out or dying off, to be replaced by younger people whose voting habits are less class-bound and tend, if they are professional and well-educated, to be more to the left. This doesn't mean any one party – the Greens do very well in cities like this. The Greens did well in the European elections here and they won a seat in Brighton, a not dissimilar constituency

#### Now has the area changed?

When I was a boy Canterbury council, that is the historic area of Canterbury city, had 32 members. There were normally 30, 31 or 32 Conservatives, and one or two Labour.

Canterbury was so old-fashioned. Now it is a much more vibrant and outgoing place. The university opened in the late 1970s, Labour took control of the old Canterbury area in the early 70s, I think 1971.

Now within the bigger Canterbury district, which is all the villages, Whitstable and Herne Bay, the historic city of Canterbury is only a small part. In Canterbury itself there are 14 councillors, 11 Liberal, three Conservative and no Labour

# What does this mean?

It means the Liberals are better placed next time. But in the 2005 election there is no doubt in Whitstable that Labour was clearly stronger.

Liberal-minded, green, centre-left voters wanted to say who has got the best chance of beating the Tories. If they lived in Whitstable they chose Labour, if they lived in Canterbury itself they chose the Liberal Democrats.

Hence the tactical vote was split. Now it has become clear and that alters the game of politics in Canterbury very considerably.

Reporter **Jenny Armstrong** talks to the president of the Liberal Party in 1978-9, who is a leading election expert and a Canterbury councillor, about the changing face of the electorate and the future of the city





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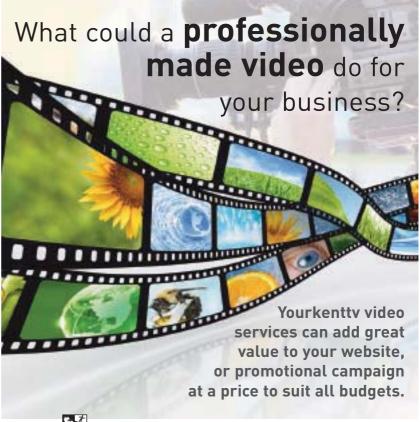




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# Getting involved in the World Cup this summer

#### BY **STEVE KNIGHT**

ENGLAND manager Fabio Capello has backed KOS Media's new Fab Football 2010 campaign aimed at increasing participation in the sport.

Ahead of leading the Three Lions into battle at next month's World Cup, the Italian supremo is fighting our corner as we attempt to lure people away from their television sets and onto the field of play.

The campaign we are launching today which also has the backing of FA vice-chairman Barry Bright and sports minister Hugh Robertson - will highlight the health and social benefits of playing football, as well as provide information on how disabled people, women and other minority groups

can get involved. It will also demonstrate how the FA's ongoing Respect campaign is having a positive influence on the lives of children and their parents and teachers throughout Kent.

Capello said: "In England we each share a wonderful passion for the game, and I'm sure KOS Media's Fab Football campaign will be a positive experience for the whole county.

"It is a great opportunity for players, children and families to get involved in football and inspire a new generation.'

With more than 3,000 teams and 45,000 players competing each week across the county football is already the most popular sport in Kent – but we want even more people to enjoy the many benefits of the beautiful game.

Over the next few months we will be talking to health chiefs



FOOTBALL FANS: England manager Fabio Capello backs our campaign; and left, England player Wayne Rooney

about how football can help in the fight against problems such as obesity and heart disease, as well as to the police about how it can cut crime

and improve communities. We will also be offering

some fantastic competition prizes.

Kent County FA chairman Barry Bright chairman Barry Bright said: "We welcome and are delighted to give wholesome support to KOS Media's Fab Football Campaign.

#### **Benefits**

"With the excitement of the World Cup less than a fortnight away, there is a great opportunity to further raise the profile of England's most popular sport.

"So while cheering England to success, don't just sit in your armchair watching the games - now is the time to find out about the many ways you can actively get involved in the fun, enjoyment and success of football in Kent.

Sports minister Hugh Robertson - the MP for Faversham and Mid Kent - has also given his full support to the Fab Football campaign. He said: "If there's one event that can

inspire more young people to take up football, it's the World Cup.
"As well as the obvious health benefits, the

sport brings together people from all communities and has a truly global appeal.

"As sports and Olympics minister, my top priority is to extend the opportunities available through sport to the maximum number of people so I would encourage all of the young people in Kent to get involved in the beautiful game."

What areas of the sport would you like our Fab Football campaign to cover? We're appealing for all young footballers, Sunday league players and semi-professional clubs to get in touch and let us know.

Send your suggestions to KOS Media, Apple Barn, Smeeth, TN25 6SS or email editorial@kosmedia.co.uk

### It's a radio return Changes to planning process for popular Geoff welcomed as a positive move

GEOFF Clark's new radio show, Lazy Sunday Afternoons, launches this weekend on BBC Radio Kent from 2-5pm.

The former BBC South East presenter, is going back to his roots to create the perfect accompaniment to Sunday afternoons.

Geoff will be taking calls and making sure listeners get the latest sport and travel information while playing great music past and



ON AIR: Geoff Clark

Plus he's keen for listeners to shun their PCs as he will be encouraging them to write

in with their thoughts, views and requests. Geoff said: "I am really looking forward to being part of BBC Radio Kent and especially hearing from listeners. Radio is a lot more personal than television; you have a different relationship with your audience.

"I started in radio way back when and have always loved it.

"You can just get stuck in plus I get to play loads of my favourite music. What could be better than that?"

A SHAKE-UP of the planning system that promises more power for local authorities has been welcomed in Kent.

The government proposals announced last week include the abolition of the Infrastructure Planning Commission and the scrapping of the South East Plan, which sets specific housing targets for towns

Sean Furey, deputy director of the Protect Kent, the county's branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England, said there were a lot of things to be positive about.

"It's potentially a good thing if we're going to see more local decision-making," he said.

"The point of all the regional plans was so central government could devolve to local planners, but it ended up being the other way around. The power went the wrong way and a lot of things were imposed on Kent as a result. Hopefully this trend can now be reversed because local authorities know the

The official aim of the South East Plan was to ensure the region remained "economically successful and an attractive place to live for future generations".

A final version of the document was published by the former Labour government in May last year, and included a housing target of 32,700 homes per year up to 2026.

Mr Furey said he was pleased these targets would now be removed but was concerned it could undermine the regeneration efforts in towns like Ashford, Dover, Sittingbourne and

He also voiced his support for the removal of policy support for rail-freight depots, which he said could kill off the proposed BIG depot at Wrotham, Platt and Borough Green.

Kent County Council leader Paul Carter admitted it was "back to the drawing board" for many schemes, adding that some would never have been successful anyway.

Cllr Carter said he was also pleased to see the back of the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC), which has only been accepting applications for major projects such as power stations and wind farms since March this year.

His view that it was an unelected quango that "got in the way" was backed by Mr Furey, who added that there was "very little democratic accountability"

Stopping hospital superbug outbreak is in all our hands

#### BY MARIJKE COX

A HEALTH watchdog has warned of a potential superbug infection outbreak if hospital staff fail to prioritise hand hygiene.

It follows a study of eight of the county's hospitals where bacteria linked to MRSA and Clostridium difficile was found on some wards.

Health experts have now issued a stark warning to hospitals, reminding them of the C diff outbreak at the Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust where 90 patients died between 2004 and 2006 across its three

Officials from Kent and Medway Local Involvement Network (LINk), who carried out the research, said they understood infection rates were falling across the county, but stressed that hand hygiene standards must be

Graham Hills, operations director of the organisation, which looks to improve health and social care in Kent and Medway, said some of their findings were "disturbing".

"MRSA and C diff rates are dropping so the high-profile messages by hospitals to use hand gels are having some impact, but it's the inconsistency of use by staff and visitors that is concerning," he said.

"On swabs taken around hospitals, we found bacteria which could pose a risk to patients' health at nurses' stations - such as computer keyboards - bathrooms and patients' bedsides.

"Some of the bacteria we found was part of the MRSA and C diff bacteria groups. We don't want to see another infection outbreak."

Research was carried out between September, 2009, and March, 2010, at William Harvey Hospital in Ashford; Kent and Canterbury in Canterbury; Darent Valley in Dartford; Medway Maritime in Gillingham; Maidstone Hospital; Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother in Margate; Kent and Sussex in Tunbridge Wells; and Pembury, also in Tunbridge Wells.

#### Hygiene

A total of 1,353 observations were made of staff, patients and visitors using hand hygiene gel dispensers, and 145 swab samples taken from around the hospitals.

Levels of compliance varied from 80 per cent down to less than 20 per cent, with observa-tions of use at the entrance to wards being lowest at the William Harvey, which is run by the East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust.

The highest usage was seen at Pembury one of the hospitals embroiled in the superbug scandal three years ago.

Mr Hills said while he realises it is impossi-

ble to create environments that are totally bacteria-free, contamination at key places indicates less than perfect cleaning systems.

Seven of the 145 swabs taken - four from computer keys, two from hot taps and one from unisex public toilets - found bacteria linked to MRSA

Hazel Brain, a volunteer who helped carry out the study, said: "What we found most disappointing was that so many people moving around the hospital were not making enough use of the facilities provided for them.

But NHS trusts, who welcomed the report, have stressed cleanliness is a priority, proven by the sharp fall in infection rates.

Linda Dempster, head of infection prevention and control at Medway NHS Foundation Trust
– where rates of MRSA have fallen by 77 per
cent in the last four years – said the researchers did not view every area of the hospitals: "They did not see point of care where hand hygiene is vital because we couldn't let researchers right next to the patients," she said.

"Also, in regards to random swabbing, if something has only just been used it may have bacteria on it, but this will be cleaned.

"If staff see people not complying with hand rubs they'll speak to them, but it's difficult to

police them 24/7.

#### **BREAK TIME**



# **Pupils bury history** in grounds of pub

YOUNGSTERS from Ashford Oaks Primary School have buried a time capsule in the grounds of a pub in Ashford.

Newspapers, letters, drawings, and photographs were included in the pupil's container at the Pheasant Pub, opened in March last year by Marston's off Trinity Road, Kennington.

Headteacher Gerry D'Cruz, said: "This really challenged the children to think about history and the future.

A plaque will be put up at the Pheasant with the date of the ceremony.

# Boys leap to glory and trampoline title

PUPILS from the North School have tri-

umphed in the National Schools' Trampoline Championships. At the finals in Bristol, Dale Wallace, Carl Parks, Kieran Owler and Andrew Baird were crowned Under 15s Boys' Novice Team Champions. Two boys were also competing individually. Kieran Owler finished third and Dale Wallace won the under 15s boys' title.

# Winning posters warn of dangers on your doorstep

BY ED HILL

TWO children from Great Chart Primary School have been awarded prizes for their poster designs warning about bogus traders.

The competition was organised by Kent Trading Standards.

The winning entry was created by Samuel Beale, age 11, from the school. He received his prize and certificate from Avtar Sandhu, Kent County Council's deputy cabinet member for community services.

Samuel's poster came top out of more than 300 entries from 16 schools across the county.

The posters are designed to be put up in doctors' surgeries and other public buildings as a way of helping residents, especially vulnerable and elderly people, to be aware of the dangers of cold-callers on the doorstep.

The competition was also seen as a way to raise awareness amongst youngsters themselves about the issue, so that they could spread the message to family and friends.

The third prize went to Kira Matthews, 10. also from the Great Chart Primary School.

The designs showed the importance of checking that people working for utility companies have ID badges that can be checked over the phone and warning people not to be pressured into agreeing a business transaction if they don't want to.

Graeme Preston from Kent Trading Standards, who judged the entries, said: "The standard of entries was very high, so choosing a winner was really difficult. The four finalists



SPREADING WORD: Prize winners Amy Brunton, Samuel Beale, Kira Matthews and India Martin with Marion Ward, of Kent Trading Standards, Avtar Sandhu of KCC, and Ian Treacher, assistant head of Kent Trading Standards

all entered excellent designs and the winning entry is fantastic."

Second place was awarded to Amy Brunton, 13, from Milestone School in New Ash Green and fourth place was awarded to India Martin, 11, from Weald County Primary School in Sevenoaks. The winners picked up their certificates of achievement from St Faith's Library in Maidstone.

Mr Preston added: "This competition is a fun way to get young people involved in what is a serious issue. Cold-calling can be really intimidating, and summertime traditionally sees an increase in traders going door to door.

"It's important that we get the message out now that you should always get a number of written quotations from different traders and don't be pressured into making a decision on the doorstep."

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# Winter was cold hard lesson for highway service

"DISJOINTED and poorly prepared" is how district council chiefs have described Kent's response to the chaotic snowstorms of last winter.

Roads were gridlocked, ferries delayed and trains cancelled during the worst period of icy weather in more than 30 years, resulting in three "snow emergencies" being called between December and February.

And despite constant reassurances from

Kent County Council that it was coping well with keeping the traffic moving, residents stuck for hours on motorways and in town centres remained unconvinced.

Their complaints have now been backed up by chief executives from some of the county's district and borough councils, who took part in a consultation to judge how well the authority fared.

A new report reveals that when the snow first came down shortly before Christmas, the general consensus was that Kent Highway Services was "poorly prepared, without adequate plans in place"

It added that "staff were not available and

#### BY **STEVE KNIGHT**

communication was poor for most districts, if

The councils also criticised the poor local knowledge of important priority routes for some areas, the "disjointed" nature of Kent Highways and the "ill-prepared" KCC call

However, they did acknowledge that lessons were learned after the first period of snow and that improvements were made as the poor weather continued.

Cabinet member for highways Cllr Nick Chard admitted the council's initial response to the snowfall was not perfect, and welcomed the criticism.

He said: "What I'm pleased about is that Kent Highway Services wants to improve.
"No it wasn't perfect but it has enabled us to identify several areas where we clearly need to make improvements.

"Let's be realistic – it was the worst winter for 30 years and I hope we don't get another one like it for some time, but if we do we will be better prepared and people will have a clearer understanding of what to expect from us."

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er.
"This is just what we want to achieve. The buildings we have highlighted in Kent are all in need. Britain is losing enough classic properties as it is - we need to do more to save those that remain."

Marcus Binney, a renowned architectural

sets out on a treasure hunt to find a selection of 'sleeping beauties' across England and

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### **YOUR LETTERS**

# Put your fàith in the Bible not politicians

Is it any wonder at the great falling away from Christianity when bishops like Bishop Willmott put their faith in politicians, the UN and other failed organisations of mankind, rather than Jesus Christ!

If he bothered to read his Bible,

If he bothered to read his bible, rather than subscribe to his church's fairy stories and the belief the world is doomed to suffer into perpetuity, he would know all that we see has already been prophesied. Indeed, in Matthew 24, where Christ's disciples asked for the light of the property of the prop

signs of his return, Christ provides a very comprehensive list of

### **Bishop should take** his lead from Christ

Having his own axe to grind, John R O'Neon totally missed the point of my letter (May 12, 2010) regarding the Bishop of Dover, the Rt Rev Trevor Willmott.

The issue wasn't whether there was a god or not, it was whether the bishop was contravening the Trades Description Act.

The bishop claims to be a Christian, ie a follower of Christ. He also claims to be teaching Christ's beliefs to his flocks, a very heavy responsibility!

Yet just a cursory scan of Christ's ministry shows he made it quite clear the affairs of the world had no place among his followers.

He claimed his followers couldn't be part of this world system and also part of his kingdom (John 18:36, John 17:16, James 4:4, etc etc).

So the point wasn't whether you believe in Christ or not because the bishop and the Anglican Church claim they do - the point was their falsification of what he taught to suit their own purposes.

Christ didn't live in a palace, wear the finest clothes and tell his followers they owed their allegiance to the rulers of the day.

Phil Granger West Malling by email

### God? I will believe it when I see Him/Her

As John R O'Neon rightly points out, there are many imponderables surrounding religious belief that prevent countless people placing their faith and trust in God (letters, May 19).

Obviously, 'if God made man, who made God?', which Mr O'Neon highlights, is the toughest poser of all, but there are other unanswerable questions that have prevented me from following any particular religion.

For instance, if God loves the world so much, why do we have to suffer devastating natural disasters and diseases responsible for massive loss of human life?

Another is, why are some people afflicted from birth by terrible mental retardation and physical

# yourblogger

Simon Robinson explains why he's defecting from England during the World Cup...

"DEAR rest of the world, my name is Simon Robinson, I'm a 27-year-old football-loving journalist from England and I would like you to adopt me.

With the World Cup just nine days away, I've decided I no longer wish to go through the torment, anguish and despondency that come with being an

ever-optimistic England supporter.
All I want is for one of the other 31 finalists to take me in and accept me as one of their own.

My only proviso is that you can't be a certified member of England's 'perennial underachievers' group. This rules you out Holland and Portugal.

I'm not necessarily looking for one of the big boys take a bow Brazil, Germany and Spain – to adopt me temporarily; this isn't about winning.

I'm just sick of seeing England's world-class team of multi-millionaires go out of the competition with a whimper, on penalties, in the quarter finals. Again.

So come on the relative minnows of Mexico, Korea, Russia, Slovenia et al. I'm all yours.

I'll back anyone, so long as I don't have to go through another international football competition as a Three Lions badge-kissing Englishman.

My first proper taste of that crushing England have blown it' sensation came in Italia '90.

England's bid to win the cup came to a shuddering halt in the semi-finals, when those German penaltytaking machines booted us back to Blighty.

France 1998 saw Argentina beat us on penalties in the first knock-out round.

Four years later we were undone in the quarter finals of the Korea/Japan World Cup when ponytailed goalie David Seaman let Brazil's Ronaldinho timid freekick drift over him into the net.

Then at Germany 2006 it was back to the familiar penalty shoot-out heartbreak, this time Portugal took their turn to send us home at the quarter-final stage.

Failure after failure.

I suppose our record speaks for itself and we -England football fans - should lower our expectations ahead of South Africa 2010 and be happy to notch up another quarter-final appearance.

But I can't do that.

We should be reaching the semi-finals on a regular basis. We should be brushing the weaker teams to one side, showing the footballing world that we, the inventors of the beautiful game, can play it!

But we all know it'll be the same old story come the first England game on Saturday, June 12; we'll scrape through the group stages with the pundits promising that the team will "deliver when it matters" followed by a dismal display in the quarters and yet another penalty shoot-out disaster.

I can't go through that again. And that's why I'm defecting to the Ivory Coast, New Zealand or Greece.

Presidents and Prime Ministers, feel free to get in touch. My contact details are below."

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handicaps where they can neither speak, feed themselves or control their bodily functions?

Is being born with severe brain damage and quadriplegia a sign of God's love? I don't see how.

Also, if there is only one God and yet so many vastly different, conflicting religions, how can we tell which one, if any, is true?

If an omnipotent creator exists, then why doesn't God appear on international television proving beyond doubt that he or she is

With the current lack of hard evidence supporting the existence of God, I suppose agnostics such as myself will have to remain faithless for the time being.

# **Council tenants must** be given their voice

Within the next week council tenants in Thanet, Canterbury, Dover and Shepway will be sent Our plans for improving your housing services'.

KOS Media has been kind enough to publish a letter from me in the past outlining the background to these proposals which will attempt to take council housing management into an Arms Length Management Organisation (ALMO).

This will include 18,000 properties and the consultation process involves 'open days' (not the public meetings I requested) in many parts of east Kent. There will also be a 'telephone consultation' which, again, will be very limited.

Tenants in all areas need to be satisfied they have ample opportunity to ask questions and the Millmead estate in Margate, with a large housing stock, certainly needs more than one designated 'open day'.

I have also drawn attention to the fact that there are NO 'open days' for Westgate and that this must be rectified.

Tenants and the wider public should have a written agreement that this is NOT the first step in privatising council housing which has long been the preferred option of many Conservatives no doubt emboldened by having a foot in Downing Street.

The Labour Group at Thanet District Council has consistently demanded a ballot of all tenants. The only concession has been to hold one if required after the 'open days' and telephone canvassing. We cannot see how any council can properly ascertain all of our tenants' views through this haphazard system.

Labour councillors will do their best to attend all of the 'open days' in Thanet and I would urge tenants and indeed the general public to be very aware of the long-term implications in this nationally changed political landscape.

Councillor Iris Johnston Shadow member for housing Thanet District Council.

### Help keep World War Two memories alive

Do you have a World War Two story to tell, or do you know someone who does?

Perhaps you have an experience of evacuation, air raids, rationing or volunteering for the war effort that you would be willing to share.

We are launching an exciting oral history project, Memories of War: New Narratives and Untold Stories.

As part of the project, we want to capture as many unfold World War Two stories and experiences of as many people as possible who lived in Kent, Medway and

They will be preserved and also contribute to a special Memories of War exhibition at the University of Greenwich in the autumn.

We are also looking for volunteers to help bring these stories alive, conducting and transcribing interviews and capturing the memories of people who lived through the war.

If you are interested in being part of this social history project please email memoriesofwar@gre.ac.uk or phone 0208 331 7874.

You can also write to Dr June Balshaw at the University of Greenwich, Old Royal Naval College, Park Row, SE10 9LS

Dr June Balshaw Head of Department, Social, Political and Cultural Studies **University of Greenwich** 

# **Charity seeks aid to** help reunite siblings

On the back of National Family Week, running until June 6, The Caldecott Foundation is appealing for a financial helping hand for Siblings Together summer camps which bring siblings together who have been separated by the care system.

The Caldecott Foundation has been caring for children who have suffered extremes of abuse, cruelty and neglect for almost 100 years.

In August it is supporting Siblings Together, with some staff expertise to the camps which is a specialist programme designed to improve the lives, relationships and future wellbeing of siblings separated by care and adoption.

National Family Week makes us think about celebrating what we have, but in our job we often come across children who have lost that family security.

One way in which we can help them to maintain their important bonds by ensuring they get adequate time with their siblings should they wish to.

The camps allow us to safely reunite siblings within a safe

caring environment.

They were founded by Delma
Hughes a professional Art Therapist and mother, who herself suffered from being separated from her six siblings throughout her 16 years as a child in care.

She has brought Siblings Together to The Caldecott Foundation to help develop the camps further since it is a relatively new concept, and welcomes The Caldecott's specialist input.

It has taken its inspiration partially from an American programme, Camp to Belong who assisted Delma Hughes in her research when she visited and worked in the camps in 2007.

A one-off pilot camp for siblings was held in the UK shortly after this successfully adapting the project to meet the specific needs of children in care in the UK.

Further camps have been held in Devon & also one at the young Vic Theatre London which was a non residential. The camps have since inspired Social Workers & Foster Carers in Australia to create camps for their children in care and adoption.

We are looking for corporate sponsors to help us to finance these important camps for siblings and hope that the awareness around National Families Week, who have also supported Siblings Together, gives potential sponsors some food for thought about those that don't have a traditional family to celebrate.

If you can help The Caldecott Foundation to raise funds for Siblings Together camps, please contact Sam Scott in Fundraising on: 01303 815697 or Samantha.scott@ caldecottfoundation.co.uk

Sam Scott, fundraising manager for the Caldecott Foundation

# **Government cut in** spending not such bad news for KCC

COUNCILS are to feel the strain of Government spending cuts after new Chancellor George Osborne announced £1.165 billion reductions nationwide in local authority grants.

But instead of condemning the massive cuts. authorities have welcomed decision after Mr Osborne said in return councils would have more flexibility over their budgets.

Under the new Con-Lib coalition, ring-fencing of £1.7bn of Govern-

ment grant funding will be scrapped for 2010-11.

**CUTS:** George Osborne

It means officials at County Hall, which felt its hands were tied in terms of spending under the previous Government, will have a say over where money goes.

In Kent County Council's 2010-11 budget the total figure of Government grants – excluding schools funding – is £585,624,000.

Tory leader Cllr Paul Carter said although future cuts could be significant, councils will have more control on a local level.

"We're essentially going to be freed up," he said. "We won't have to do some of Government's prescribed projects as before where we had to spend specific grants on a, b or c. We can spend the money on our locality and our priorities.'

# Pioneering schools games to become national event

A SCHOOL Olympics scheme pioneered in Kent and supported by double gold-medallist Dame Kelly Holmes is to be transformed into a national event.

The Con-Lib coalition confirmed in its programme for government last week that it would introduce an annual sports and athletics initiative for youngsters, which sports minister Hugh Robertson had earlier said would be based on the model for the highly-successful Kent School Games.

Launched in 2008, the brainchild of Kent County Council leader Cllr Paul Carter is a bi-annual event enjoyed by thousands of pupils battling it out for supremacy in 38 different activities.

KCC cabinet member for communities Cllr Mike Hill - also a member of the Kent Campaign for the 2012 Games - welcomed the Government's announcement

He said: "We're very pleased. We set up a little working group that Hugh Robertson (also the MP for Faversham and Mid Kent) and Derek Wyatt (former Labour MP for Sittingbourne and Sheppey) sat on, and they've been very helpful in advising us. I'm delighted these ideas have been taken forward onto a national level. The Kent School Games have been a great success for us.

"It takes a whole two years to run through all the heats and finals, but we are really encouraged by how well it has been received.

BY **STEVE KNIGHT** 

"Suddenly sports that have been in the doldrums are coming to the fore, and our schoolchildren are really embracing the positive ideals of the Olympic Games."

The heats for the second Kent School Games started last year, with more than 30,000 pupils aged five to 16 – including those with disabilities – taking part. The finals will be held in July. Prime Minister David Cameron revealed the

first School Olympics would begin next year and climax with a session held at the new Olympic Stadium in 2012.

He said a key reason in creating the scheme was so that it helped to make sure the London 2012 Games benefit the entire country and not just the capital.

The news is sure to be welcomed by double gold-medallist and Hildenborough resident Dame Kelly Holmes, who told KOS Media in October that she wanted the Kent School Games model to be adopted by whichever party won the general election.

She said: "It was the mass participation and how so many people and agencies were running the events – the council, schools, teachers and young people that came on board.
"I thought it was absolutely brilliant and a

great model to replicate around the country.

"I've been mulling over it. I'm always being asked my opinion or to back an initiative, and this was one of the things I was asked about and I said 'yes'.



WINNING WAYS: Olympic double-gold medallist Dame Kelly Holmes has backed Kent School Games from start

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HAYLEY 22, bubbly blue eyed blonde, tattoos and piercings, loves to live life to the full, seeking exciting male, up for anything, for friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332631 🗒

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ELIZABETH 66, young looking blonde

CHRISTIAN lady, 45, 5ft 4ins, cuddly dark hair, attractive, gentle, seeks kind Christian male of similar age for matu rity and kindness in friendship, hopefully more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379018

46YR old lady, slim, likes cooking, seeks caring, tall male. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379032

SASKIA 43, stylish, very attractive with

MARY 50, petite with green eyes and dark hair, lovely curves seeks bubbly outgoing male who is full of surprises to make and keep life and love interesting. tile male who would love her just as she Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330887

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IZABETH 58, attractive, sensitive, roughly specified by the sensitive of the sensitive of

BLACK female, N/S, 44, 5ft 5ins, likes cinema, cooking, seeks N/S white, kind, honest, loving male, 48-56 with similar interests. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332979 🗒 KELLY 26, beautiful shapely brunette, likes wild nights out but prefers chillin in with a nice bottle wine, good conversation and intimate moments, seeks similar. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 33883 🖟

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ANNE 46, slim, N/S, honest, reliable, seeks male, 42-50, N/S, slim-medium build. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330029 🗒

CAROLE 55, young looking blonde voluptuous, but not too much to handle woluptuous, but not too much to handle! WLTM manly male who is up for some no strings fun. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330883

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MANDY 40, very fit, attractive brunette, great curves, seeks hunky, sporty, dark haired male who is up for an energetic no strings relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330865

ATTRACTIVE lady, late 50's, lively, outgoing, bubbly, seeks male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330793

LIZZIE attractive, blonde, young 60, likes outdoors, seeks gent, 50-65, N/S with GSOH for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379070

nignts in, seeks professional male, who is honest, caring and fun. Tel No: under 60 for friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329011 late 40's, likes outdoor life, meals out nights in, seeks professional male

ATTRACTIVE young looking female, late 50's, 5ft 8ins, reddish hair, likes outdoors, theatre, seeks tall, N/S atrk haired gent for lasting relationship. Croydon. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box haired gent Croydon. Te No: 378612

NEED some company? Norma still has ated. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329185

JAYNE 28, model mum of three, 5ft 5ins, blue eyes, brown hair, likes meals out, cooking, dancing, fashion, music swimming, seeks male, 35-45 for fun Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No

TERESA 39, petite, cuddly and bubbly seeks kind older male to travel, have fun, and take care of, pamper and flirt with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329179

65YR old female slim wayy hair kind likes walks, nature, animals, seeks kind, caring male. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 378800

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tile male who would love her just as she is. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329181

5FT 2ins blonde female, blue eyes, petite, seeks male, 45-55 who is caring, affectionate, funny and romantic. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330271 €

VOLUPTUOUS black lady, very loving and romantic, no ties, seeks fun, friendly male for a very laid back relationship. Race/age unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330439 🗒

LORRAINE 25, 5ft 5ins, black hair brown eyes, outgoing, likes swimming, meals out, music, shopping, seeks female, 30-60 with GSOH and great permaie, 50-50 With GSOH and great personality. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 378760 €

ELLIE very affectionate, slim but curvy, auburn hair, hazel eyes, no ties, lives life to the full, seeks mature male for friendship/more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329189

LINDA short and sweet, blonde hair blue eyes seeks warm, genuine male LINDA snorr and sweet, blonde nair blue eyes seeks warm, genuine male for fun, romance and lots of TLC. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329187

BARBARA petite young at heart female, fun to be with, seeks inspirational younger male to end her loneliness and spice up her life. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 331377

KIM 41, cuddly bubbly good time girl likes wild nights out, cosy nights in seeks energetic male who thinks he car killes wild nights out, cosy nights in, seeks energetic male who thinks he can keep up. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 331375

BEV 41, gorgeous, bored, green eyed blonde, looking for fun nights in or out with discreet man who can turn a spark into a fire. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330435

ANNE semi retired nurse, 5ft 6ins, slim N/S, varied interests, seeks male friend 62-72 with whom I can socialise. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329071

DEBBIE 45, slim, green eyes, dark hair, honest, kind, seeks male in late 40's

LOVELY bubbly female, 47, 5ff 6ins, brown hair, blue eyes, caring, honest, GSOH, likes pubs, cinema, meals out, cooking, seeks male, 38-49 for friend-ship/relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329445

SHY easygoing 32yr old female, seeks caring guy, 32-40 for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329469

TERESA 44, brunette, blue eyes, fulle lighted, easygonig, likes a ladgh, cuddles, seeks soul mate for fun and friendship, maybe more. Tel. No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328579 €

ROSE gorgeous chocolate brown queen, independent and hardworking seeks tall, good looking professional guy to share intimate times together. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328717

EASYGOING blonde looking for some-

LOVELY female 46, enjoys pubs, eating out, cinema, cooking, kind, caring, honest, GSOH, seeks male, 39-49 for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0906

ROMA active, down to earth, always on a real challenge with a real woman. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328155

LORRAINE 25, 5ft 5ins, black hair brown eyes, outgoing, likes swimming, meals out, music, shopping, seeks female, 30-60 with GSOH and great personality. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 378760

TODAY gone, tomorrow unknown, Lady 60, N/S, genuine, honest, seeks similar gent for friendship/companionship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329209

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HOVE male, 61, divorced, easygoing GSOH, likes music, seaside, cinema shows, photography, seeks like

NICE guy 35, 5ft 5ins, short dark hair

MALE 40, fit seeks female for discreet fun times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333385

GARY 47, blue eyes, 5ft 7ins, brown hair, easygoing, likes nights in/out dvds, seeks young female for friend thin maybe more Tell No. 1006 518 ship, maybe more. Tel, No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333329 €

MAL 6ft, gorgeous, handsome, faithful, loyal, trustworthy, seeks female. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333225 €

DAVID 52, 5ft 10ins, balding, likes golf countryside, days out, holidays, seeks female for caring relationship. Tel No countryside, days out, holidays, seeks female for caring relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333219

MALE 55, likes travel, dogs, country-MALE 55, likes leave, augst side, coast, seeks female for friendship and LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333189

MALE young 60's, seeks younger, attactive female for relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379014

TALL upbeat male, mid 50's, adventur-ous spirit, seeks female, 45 or younger for serious relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328583

JOHN 47, 6ft, dark hair, GSOH, seeks

young, attractive female for relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379480 MICHAEL 59, seeks female, 55-65 for cuddles, kisses, TLC and LTR. Tel No 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332565 TLC and LTR

NORMAL well adjusted chap, 50, GSOH, seeks similar female to share life with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332855

YOUNG at heart male, 51, 5ft 7ins, brown hair, fit, sporty, romantic, seeks similar female, 46-56 for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332843 🖁

TIM 48, medium build, short dark hair genuine female, 35-48 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379394

STEVE 52, 5ft 11ins, short hair, blue

LONELY faithful gent, 74, tall, likes homelife, own flat, seeks similar female, 55-70 for LTR and companionship East-bourne. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329911

MEDIUM build male 35 5ft 10ins likes female for fun, possible LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333105

MALE 55, 6ft, blue eyes, clean shaven, smart, seeks similar aged female. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379460

KEVIN professional gardener, likes walks, photography, bikes, music, films, tv, seeks female. Tel No: 0906 515

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likes most things, widow, seeks female of similar age for who knows what. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332841 🖁

6FT gent, 60 plus, likes dancing, music, seeks loving, sexy partner, 60-70 for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 332809

IAN 6ft 4ins, brown hair, blue eyes,

ATTRACTIVE male, 36, 5ft 7ins, medium build, seeks female for adult fun. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 331361

MIKE 55, no ties, 5ft 6ins, slim, brown hair/eyes, N/S, honest, thoughtful, reli-able, seeks female for no strings friend-ship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No:

DIVORCED male, slim, 56, smoker, likes coast, pets, seeks slim, genuine female, any age to share time with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 378694

likes cooking, pool, pubs, nights in/out, seeks nice female, 30-60 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379504

ANDY mature 50, own home, seeks female, 40-60 for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328845

JOHN 47 69

fun outgoing, romantic, seeks female.
Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 331021

YOUNG 38yr old male, seeks female for nights out, meals, clubs etc. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379038 SHY 36yr old male, likes nights out,

eeks nice lady of similar age. 0906 515 7112 Box No:

EASYGOING 36yr old male, likes pubs, cinema, seeks female for nights in and out. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328865

MALE cuddly, easygoing, seeks lady for see how it goes relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328881

YOUNG 37yr old male, easygoing, average looks/build, GSOH, likes beach, walks, meals out, nights in, dvds, seeks female, 25-40 for LTR. Tel, No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329999

YOU small petite blonde, me, 5ft 10ins, dark handsome, late 40's, fit, charming. charismatic, intellectual male seeks the above for LTR. Tej No: 0906 515 7112

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MALE 59, 5ft 6ins, kind, caring, considerate, likes walks, seeks similar aged female for friendship, maybe more. Tel HOT 29yr old male, seeks female, 25-45 for no strings fun. TeJ No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 379408 MALE 59, 5ft 6ins, kind, caring, consi

IF your over 40 and feeling naughty, DAVID 59, 6ft, medium build, likes pick up the phone, cos you are not country walks, music, cinema, meals alone. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: out, seeks female with similar interests.

YOUNG male, GSOH, good body, seeks mature female, 40-55 with curves and who is fun to be with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 331459

MALE 47, slim, fair hair, likes most things, pubs, clubs, honest, seeks slim female, 35-45. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 331451

sible LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329955 ∰

GENUINE divorced male, 63, professional, N/S, GSOH, seeks easygoing female, 50-60 for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329149 €

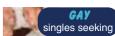
40YR old tall, professional male, GSOH, seeks female, 35-40 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329141 🗒

38YR old male, 5ft 8ins, brown hair, blue eyes, medium build, GSOH, likes pubs, walks, nights in/out, seeks female. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 270013 6 SPARKY companion wanted by elderly

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515 7112 Box No: 329359 YOUNG at heart male, 50's, 5ft 7ins, medium build, intelligent, GSOH, seeks down to earth, natural female for lasting friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 329391

YOUNG 44yr old male, medium build, attractive, likes pubs, beach walks, animals, seeks female with similar interests. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 378780



40YR old male, seeks female, 35-45 for fun and friendship who needs to laugh again. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328859 B OAVID 55, slight speech problem, likes sport, nights in/out, seeks post op fe-

MALE cuddly, easygoing, seeks lady for see how it goes relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 328881 ☐ GAY male, 59, seeks similar male for friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 33051 ☐ GAY male, 59, seeks similar male for friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 330511 ☐ GAY male, 59, seeks similar male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 33051 ☐ GAY lad, 26, straight acting, blond hair, blue eyes, slim, toned, down to earth, small of the friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 333313 ☐ MID 50's smart guy, good looking, Christian, likes theatre, cinema, meals out, nights in, dvds, seeks emale 2540 for LTB. Tel No: 1906 515 7112 Box No: 330797 ☐

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#### Folk club's invitation

ACCOMPLISHED singer-songwriter Martha Tilston will perform for Faversham Folk Club next week.

Tilston, an enchanting performer who writes honest, poetic songs, is at the Chimney Boy in Preston Street, Faversham at 8.30pm on Wednesday, June 9. Tickets cost £8 for members and £9 for non-members. Call 01795 536857.

### Going green at market

DISCOVER ethically-traded goods and energy-saving initiatives at the Keen, Green and Ethical Trade Market.

The 'green street' event will be held in St George's Street in Canterbury on Saturday and Sunday, from 9am to 5pm both days. There will also be live music and craft demonstrations. For details visit www.marketsquaregroup.co.uk

### Opera on the big screen

WATCH a famous opera on the big screen when Carmen is beamed live to Dover from the Royal Opera House.

As part of the BP Summer Big Screens Programme, the live production in Market Square starts at 7pm on Tuesday. The screening is free and more information can be found online at www.roh.org.uk/bpbigscreens.

#### Crafts and food for sale

LOCALLY produced goods and produce are on offer at the Folkestone Arts, Crafts and Food Fair.

The Creative Foundation event is next held at the harbour square from 10am to 4pm on Sunday, offering crafts, foods and other goods. To book a stall call Lucy on 01303 245799 or email lucy@creativefoundation.org.uk

### **Cam sings his thoughts**

CANADIAN troubadour Cam Penner visits Whitstable this week with his repertoire of fresh and intimate songs.

With his latest album, Trouble and Mercy, Penner showcases his most contemplative songwriting to date. He is at the Horsebridge Arts and Community Centre at 8pm on Friday and tickets cost £11. Call 01227 281174 or go online at www.horsebridge-centre.org.uk.

### **Putting on the glitz**

ENJOY an evening of music from theatre and film when the Three Sopranos

perform in Glamorous Night.

The Friends of the Marlowe event is at the Dominican Priory, Canterbury, at 7.30pm on Sunday, and features stars of Friday Night is Music Night, Welsh National Opera and the West End.

Tickets cost £13, concessions available. To book call 01227 787787.

### Have a Girls' Night out

JOIN five typical women for Girls Night at the Granville Theatre in Ramsgate next week.

The funny show has enjoyed sell-out runs in the Far East and New York, before returning to the UK. Featuring karaoke and girlie anthems, the show can be seen at 7.30pm on Wednesday, June 9. To book call 01843 591750.

# Have a laugh with Paul and chums

**PAUL MERTON** AND HIS IMPRO CHUMS

Monday, June 7, Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone

PREPARE for the unexpected as Paul Merton and his Impro Chums make something out of nothing. Between them, they have a wealth of experi-

ence in conjuring comedy from thin air, so Merton and his co-stars are adept at making audiences laugh purely through their own wit and invention. A riotous evening of unpredictable hilarity awaits as the national tour makes its way to Folkestone.

Even the best stand-up comedians need their script, with very few being able to create a successful show entirely on the spot. But the Impro Chums do just that and critics recommend that comedy fans catch these masterful

performers in the act.
Paul Merton has been a familiar television face for 20 years, thanks to his regular appearance as a panellist on the BBC's Have I Got News For You. His deadpan delivery and surreal wit have made him a firm favourite with viewers, but he is also a highly-accomplished stage comedian.

Along with his fellow performers – Mike McShane, Lee Simpson, Richard Vranch and wife Suki Webster – Merton has been improvising with the Comedy Store Players since the mid-80s. Their tightly honed improvisational skills continue to produce comic gold and the first Chums line-up, which included Jim Sweeney rather than McShane, even toured India a few years ago, to great success.

Described by critics as 'the finest exponents

of the impro art', the group produces comic sketches based purely on audience suggestions. Combining experience with the courage to experiment, the Impro Chums are experts at plucking laughs from thin air.

As well as his weekly appearances on Have I Got News For You, Merton has had his own TV show and hosts Room 101, in which guests attempt to banish their most abhorred objects, people or concepts. He is also a popular contributor to Radio 4's Just a Minute and has made a number of documentaries, including programmes about travel in India, China and Europe.

Merton's love of silent comedy is well-known and he has toured a show which highlighted the brilliance of his early comic heroes. He has also recently made a documentary called Paul Merton's Weird and Wonderful World of Early Cinema, which was broadcast on BBC4.

Mike McShane and Richard Vranch were both regulars on the original Whose Line Is It Anyway?, Channel 4's long-running improvisation show. McShane is also a successful actor who has appeared in a number of films, television shows and stage productions, such as Little Shop of Horrors.

His movie work has included appearances in the Hollywood blockbuster, Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves, playing Friar Tuck opposite

Vranch works in a variety of areas, such as

Every show is different as impro team find humour in audience suggestions



writing comedy, recording voiceovers and creating animations. He has also appeared on Just a Minute and television projects have included children's show Jackanory and his own science series on Channel Four.

Both Vranch and Lee Simpson have worked with Merton on his live tours in the past. Simpson is the artist director of a theatre company, Improbable, and has been improvising for more than 20 years.

An accomplished actor and writer, Webster has toured India, Malaysia and Barbados with the Impro Chums. She has written and performed in several shows at Edinburgh Festival Fringe, toured with Eddie Izzard's One Word Impro and co-wrote the television documentary, Paul Merton Looks At Alfred Hitchcock.

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During Sheep Shearing and Wool Week, visitors can see demonstrations of the farm's sheep being sheared and find out what happens to the wool, with displays of spinning, knitting and weaving. Tomorrow, members of the public can try their hand at making felt.

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#### **BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**

Wednesday June 2 to Saturday June 5, Winter Gardens, Margate



TRUE love and unforgettable songs feature in the popular musical, Disney's Beauty and the Beast.

Margate Operatic Society present the colourful and captivating show this week, transporting audiences into a fairytale world of talking ornaments, magical curses and the wonder of love. With lavish costumes

stunning sets and fantastic music, the show is sure to be a hit with audiences of all ages.

When a travelling inventor stumbles into a lonely castle, he is imprisoned by the frightening Beast who lives there. Discovering that the inventor

has a beautiful daughter, the Beast offers to release the man in exchange for Belle and the good-natured girl agrees to sacrifice her freedom.

At first she is afraid of her

unusual host but, unaware that the Beast is actually a prince who bears a terrible curse, Belle's feelings begin to change. But their happiness is threatened when a local thug who longs to marry Belle discovers the existence of the Beast

Tickets cost £10/£9. To book call the Winter Gardens box office on 01843 292795/ 296111 or the MOS box office on 01843 297780 or visit www. margatewintergardens.co.uk.

Various venues, various dates

THREE musicians from different corners of the globe perform together this month in a

The Canterbury Three Cities Association was set up to develop personal links between the UK, the US and the former USSR, to help bring an end to the Cold War.

To mark the silver jubilee, the association

has commissioned a new piano trio from young Canterbury composer, Matthew Brown and the work receives its world premiere this

The performers are violinist Andrew Francois from Illinois in the US, cellist Ivan Hussey (pictured) from Canterbury and

pianist Sergey Vasiliev from Vladimir, Russia.
Concerts will be held at Wye Parish Church
on Saturday (June 5); the Church of St Mary
& St Eanswythe in Folkestone on Wednesday, June 9 and Whitstable Methodist Church on Saturday, June 12.

Tickets cost £7/£5 and can be booked on  $01227\ 769785.$  Tickets for the Wye concert are

also available from Wye News and Folkestone tickets can be booked by calling 01303 243450.

A free taster concert will be held at the Huguenot Chapel in Canterbury Cathedral's Crypt at 2pm this Sunday (Jun 6).

For more information visit www.canter buryartscouncil.org.uk.



#### **AUTHENTIC MEDIEVAL MARKET**

Saturday, June 5, Canterbury Tales, Canterbury

HISTORY comes alive at the Canterbury Tales as visitors are invited to experience an authentic medieval market.

Traditional trades and wares will be on display in the churchyard behind the attraction, giving people the chance to see how people would have earned their living hundreds of

See how items were produced using time-honoured techniques, have a go at archery and take home a very special souvenir from the past.

There will be opportunities to try making vessels of the period with a traditional potter, while a medieval bowmaker and wood turner will also be demonstrating their trades. Browse the fascinating stalls selling beeswax candles and balms, natural dyes, antlers, leather pouches, ochres and earth pigments.

Tomfoolerie the jester will be selling handmade toys, Julia Baxter demonstrates medieval calligraphy and there will also be some impressive weapons on display, as originally designed

for combat and stunt students.

At noon, the winner of the Canterbury Tales' lookalike competition will be announced, with one lucky person picking up a price of £250.

The event runs from 11am to 4pm. For more information call 01227 784600 or visit www.canterburytales.org.uk.



#### **CHARLES ROLLS CELEBRATIONS**

Saturday, June 5 and Sunday, June 6, Dover seafront

CELEBRATIONS will go with a bang as Dover marks the 100th anniversary of Charles Rolls' first non-stop return flight across the English Channel.

To commemorate the occasion, a programme of special events has been put together by Dover District Council, Dover Town Council and Dover Harbour Board, with sponsorship from Rolls-Royce. A spectacular firework and pyrotechnic display

takes place at the Prince of Wales Pier at 10.15pm on Saturday. From noon on Sunday there will be a display of up to 100 Rolls-Royce vehicles, courtesy of the Rolls-Royce Enthusiasts Club, along with Rolls' own 1899 Panhard Levassor.

A ceremony takes place at the Charles Rolls statue at 12.30pm, followed by a Spitfire display above the harbour and a ten-minute appearance by the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight. The Spitfire will recreate Rolls' historic flight across the Channel, returning for a final display at about 4.10pm.

The Drop Redoubt Napoleonic Fort at Western Heights will open from 10am to 5pm both days and there will be a vintage car display in Market Square on Sunday. To find out more visit www.rollsroyce anniversary.com.



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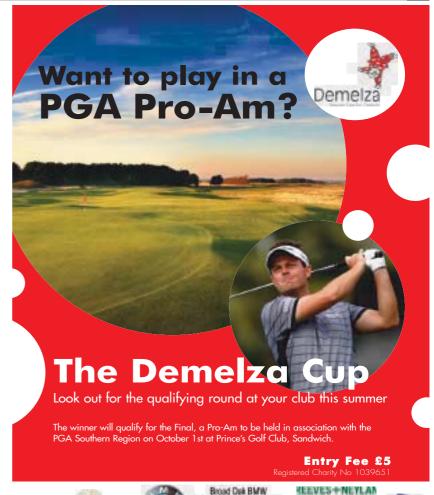




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# Snappy summer phones



#### Nokia X6

Nokia's newbie offers a big touchscreen at the front and a five megapixel camera at the back with a top notch Carl Zeiss lens. The white case option looks up to the minute, it has a good MP3 player and makes this a genuine iPhone rival for the summer. And if it does rain, there's a double LED flash for pictures... or you can watch the built in BBC iPlayer.

A cracking phone a real star from Nokia



Pin sharp: The X6's pictures have good saturation and contrast

Camera	8/10
Music player	7/10
Ease of use	8/10
Value for money deals	6/10
Style	10/10

Summer's here at last and a good cameraphone makes it easy to capture all those special times. New mobile phones which have top notch cameras give users picture quality that matches, and often exceeds, some dedicated compact cameras.

Look out for five megapixel or above which means decent quality snaps and should ensure it takes quality video too. And the best cameraphones make it easy for you to upload your pictures or videos straight to Youtube, Facebook, Picasa or Flickr – so you can share the moment with people anywhere.

Yourstyle tested some of the best and here's our pick of this summer's cameraphones



**Music player** 7/10 Ease of use 9/10 Value for money deals 9/10 6/10

not seen as a trend setter.

Some great contract deals available mean the phone is almost free.

A five megapixel camera but no flash means the Dext

is best used outside. But it earns its place here through brilliant access to all your social networks, and a dedicated keyboard for super-fast texting. Its music player, is first classs and you can add storage with a microSD card and, best of all, this £300 Android phone can be nabbed at Orange for a bargain £149 on pay as you go.

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Style



**Popping colours: Picture quality is great** but the Vivaz's video is the best here, possibly the best on any mobile phone

#### Sony Ericsson Vivaz

The Vivaz is the latest offering by Sony Ericsson and it's already proving a winner for style and lightness. Its 8.1 megapixel camera sets the standard, shoots panoramas taking three snaps that join together for wide vistas – and offers HD quality video.

A large touchscreen and brilliant music player from the inventors of the Walkman make this phone top of the desirable list.

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Samsung M8800 Pixon  The company's best cameraphone with an 8.1 megapixel camera. Good touchscreen with top quality pictures and decent on-screen keyboard. It showed occasional reluctance to link to the internet by WiFi but it worked well. A capable phone that's cheap because it's	Camera Music player Ease of use

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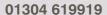


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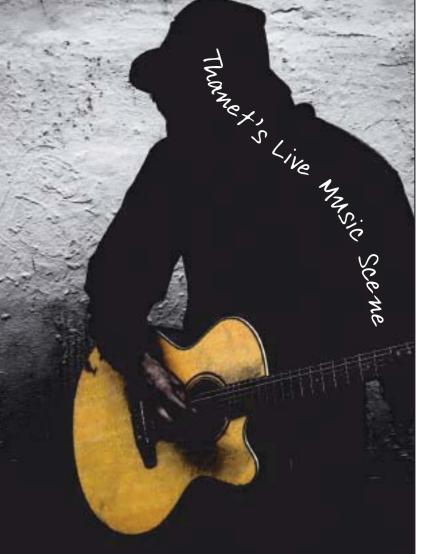
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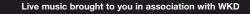
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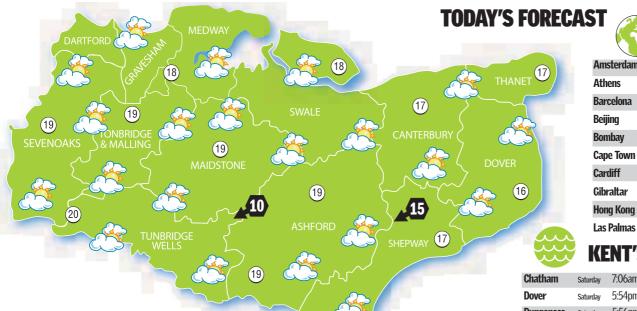
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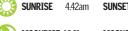
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# Third stage adds to Hop farm fun



**TOP NAMES:** Van Morrison is headlining on the main stage on the Friday night

#### BY JON COATES

THE line-up for this summer's Hop Farm Festival is as good as any other music event in the UK, says organiser Vince Power.

says organiser Vince Power.
The music promoter is confident that this year's festival in Paddock Wood will be one to remember.

Mr Power feels the Hop Farm event has found its niche in its third year and is now here to stay.

He expects Saturday's bill topped by Bob Dylan to sell out its 30,000 tickets, with 20,000 tickets being sold for the Friday line-up headlined by Van Morrison

headlined by Van Morrison.

On the Saturday main stage,
Dylan will be supported by Ray
Davies, Mumford & Sons, Seasick
Steve, Peter Doherty, Laura
Marling, Johnny Flynn, The
Magic Numbers and Foy Vance.

Van Morrison headlines on Friday, supported by Blondie, Los Lobos, Imelda May and Damien

Dr John and The Lower 911 have now been added to this bill and will be the second support before Blondie and Van Morrison.

The Big Tent stage on Friday will host Afro Celt Sound System, Richard Thompson, Peter Green & Friends, and Sweet Billy Pilgrim, with Sparrow And The Workshop, and Paris Riots added.

Organisers announced two weeks ago that a third stage was being added to the event, but we can now reveal that festival goers will also be able to enjoy a comedy show and a campsite area hosting acoustic performances.

The third stage is being called the Bread & Roses stage and the line-up includes The Ruskins, Hoodlums and Billy Vincent.

Hoodlums and Billy Vincent.
It will also host a comedy show featuring Bob Mills, Keith Platt and Ian Cognito.

Mr Power added: "Every festival I have done has taken between three and five years to get on the festival map and for people to see it as here to stay.

"With the Hop Farm having legends mixed with great new acts like Mumford & Sons and Laura Marling is the way to go." UPLOAD YOUR MUSIC VIDEOS TO BROADCAST ON OUR WEBSITE @

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The promoter had planned to hold the Hop Farm Festival on just the Saturday and arrange a separate event on the Sunday.

This would have been called the Pop Farm Festival and would have been aimed at a younger audience.

But Mr Power said he was forced to shelve this idea as he missed a couple of the big acts he was aiming for, but a two-day Hop Farm and one-day Pop Farm events could be on for next year.



**OPULENCE:** The golf course at the Aphrodite Hills Resort in Cyprus, and below, the resort's luxurious Retreat Spa will please non-golfers

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# Pack up your clubs and head for secret paradise

#### BY **DOMINIC PICKSLEY**

IF YOU'RE heading to the Mediterranean for a spot of golf, forget booking a hotel in Portugal or Spain – try Cyprus instead.

For years, Portugal and Spain have enjoyed something of a monopoly on the finest golfing destinations in the Mediterranean, but they may be about to face quite a challenge from Cyprus.

When it comes to golf, Cyprus is the new kid on the block. It only boasts three courses, but there are ambitious plans for another 14 in the next few years to turn the island into another golfer's paradise.

If the impressive courses at Aphrodite Hills, Secret Valley and Minthis Hills are anything to go by, Cyprus is well on its way to becoming a utopia for golfers of all abilities

I teed off my experience at the opulent surroundings of the Aphrodite Hills Resort, a fabulous five-star development on a plateau overlooking Petra tou Romiou, the legendary birthplace of Aphrodite, the goddess of love.

The resort oozes elegance, but for 150 euros a round, you expect something special! Built on a mountain, it is separated by a dramatic ravine, so buggies are essential to complete the course in a day.

course in a day.

Aphrodite Hills has plenty for golf widows and families too. It also features a first-class tennis academy, a beach club, and a multi-purpose sports court for children, with everything from volleyball to mini-football

The surrounding region is steeped in local history and culture. Taste the local vintage at a nearby winery

#### FACT FILE: CYPRUS

Dominic was a guest of the Cyprus Tourism Organisation and flew Cyprus Airways (from London, Manchester and Birmingham) Reservations: 020 8359 1333 and www.cyprusair.com.

Operators to Aphrodite Hills Resort include Olympic Holidays, which offers seven nights' half-board from £900 with return flights ex-Gatwick June 2, incl transfers.

Olympic Holidays reservations: 0844 576 2386 and www.OlympicHolidays.com.
Further resort information: www.aphrodite-hills.com.

Destination enquiries: Cyprus Tourism Organisation (020 7569 8800 and www.visitcyprus.com).

Columbia Beach Resort Pissouri



(www.columbia-hotels.com) operates free bus to the golf courses. Junior garden view suites start at 195 euros per night. Almyra Hotel (www.almyra.com) has garden view rooms from 160 euros per room per night.

Details of Secret Valley and Minthis Hills courses available on www.cyprusgolf.com.

and wine museum, or try your handiwork at workshops which turn out

traditional Cypriot clay pots.

Next up was Secret Valley Golf Club, a short drive from Aphrodite Hills, and a course within a colourful, picturesque valley. An 'easier' proposition than the previous day, but hardly one to be taken lightly.

but hardly one to be taken lightly.
Although less glamorous than
Aphrodite Hills, Secret Valley still
had an air of grandeur, set in a natural amphitheatre with the hills
looming up to create a bowl.

It felt the most 'British' of the three – and the rain we encountered made us feel decidedly British too.

While we got drenched by the heavy downpour – rare in these parts, but welcome for the rain-starved country – this was Cyprus, so we were soon dry and the round was completed in bright sunshine.

We then moved up the road to Paphos, a city festooned in history and an archaeology lover's delight, whether it be the immaculately preserved mosaics at the House of Dionysus near the popular harbour, or the World Heritage site of the Tombs of the Kings.

Our final golfing destination was Minthis Hills near the village of Tsada, just 15km north-east of Paphos, another venue of breathtaking beauty.

At an altitude of 550 metres above sea level and with meandering hills all around, Minthis provides a stunning vista of the Cypriot countryside and offers a challenging 18 holes.

and offers a challenging 18 holes. Enjoying the beautiful Cypriot sunshine and countryside was a delight in itself, but to do it while playing a round was pure heaven.

If you're seeking a new challenge, Cyprus is definitely the place to take your clubs to.

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#### **MOTORS** NEWS



### Nissan reveals a Juke box full of styling tricks

NISSAN is about to open order books on its most revolutionary mainstream car so far - the jauntily-styled yet pugnacious Juke baby crossover.
Priced from only £12,795 and offered in

two or four-wheel-drive format, Nissan says it manages to be compact SUV as well as sports car – a 190PS (187bhp) turbocharged version heads the range.

Built at Nissan's Sunderland UK plant deliveries start in September, when it joins the Qashqai and flagship Murano in the marque's crossover selection.



### Peugeot's 3008 hoping to be automatic choice

PEUGEOT has expanded its multiple award-winning 3008 crossover line-up with a powerful 163bhp 2.0-litre automatic version (from £21,395).

The new engine gains power while lowering consumption and emissions. It is also available only with a six-speed automatic gearbox, which shows the increasing popularity of 'self-shifters' with buyers of MPVs, SUVs and cars that straddle both classes in the aptly named crossover class inhabited by the 3008. Drivers should still be able to average well over 40mpg.



# Golf tees off again with more impressive Match

WELCOME again to the Golf Match -VW's best-known Golf special edition over several generations of the long-running family hatchback.

As hard-pressed UK car buyers hunt more value, the Match replaces the SE trim level and adds some £1,600 of equipment while costing just £300 more than the outgoing car. The Match can also be bought in eco-friendly BlueMotion format. Match prices start from £17,730 for the 1.4-litre TSI three-door - order now for delivery from late June.



LUCKY CHARM: On top of being a terrific looking car a big bonus for Alfa's MiTo is its improved MultiAir petrol engine which has added more power yet lowered the car's emissions

# Is it the new Alfasud?

FANS of the legendary yet flawed Alfasud (1976-1989) waited a long time for a successor.

The MiTo supermini (from £12,445) launched last year ended the wait; it looks terrific, comes with lots of features and appears robust.

The big bonus now is the improved MultiAir petrol engines with more power yet lower

cloverleaf flagship tested here.

The Cloverleaf badge not only revives a sporting good luck charm applied to the marque's blood red cars during its racing heyday, but revives the lightness and allure of the Sud at its fieriest.

It's not perfect of course; it's part of Alfa's charm that something will chaff the neck somehow, but it is a cracking little car.

The always preached that Alfas must be red,

but the test car looked stunning in bright yellow - a tribute to the curvy lines worked into a comparatively small yet practical car.

But the real seduction is behind the Cloverleaf's wheel; I already knew the MiTo was a superb point and shoot supermini,

# **ALFA MiTo**

#### BY **STEVE LOADER**

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whichever engine you have, but this goes further yet can even average 50mpg if you are sensible.

The Cloverleaf will turn your head though. There is a free-revving 170bhp on tap from a 1.4-litre petrol unit - 0-62mph in 7.5 seconds-

and even with the top 'Dynamic' throttle and suspension DNA setting there is no steering wheel fight or scrabbling of the front wheels as they battle to put down the power, though I can imagine knocking the DNA setting back to normal when it gets wet.

The Cloverleaf can also be flicked through

all six gears rapidly, helped by a specially shortened lever in this version.

The MiTo caveats are the usual ones; the cabin is not the most spacious and inviting in class and the boot might be large, but there is a high lip to struggle suitcases and shopping over. But this is less supermini and more baby coupé thanks to style and great powertrains including diesels.

As sales show though, it is the free-revving petrols that turn on would-be MiTo buyers, who end up with a car that is cheaper, more stylish and less common than the increasingly ubiquitous Mini.



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COUPE, SE, 2001, abs brakes air conditioning alloy wheels cd player central locking drivers airbag electric windows front fog lights immobiliser power steering trip computer remote central locking, silver, 60000 miles, £3000, Ramsgate, 0844 856 4496

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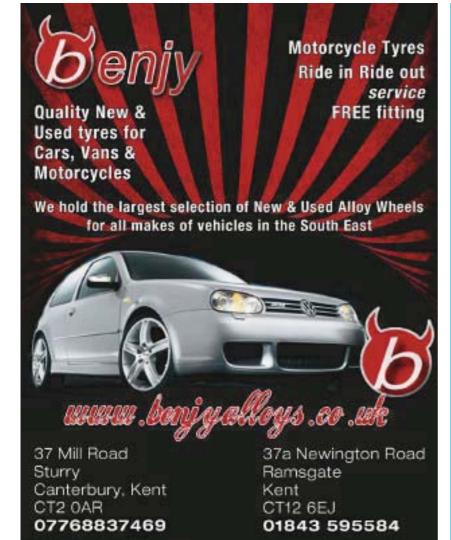
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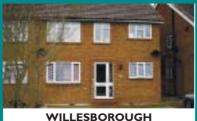
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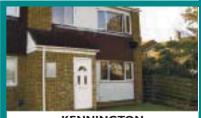
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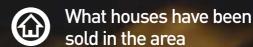


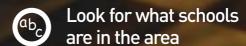
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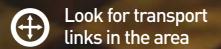
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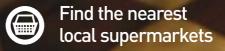
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#### **Kent League Division One**

Blackheath 1st XI v Ashford 1st XI

ASHFORD Town's search for a win continues as they fell to a comprehensive six-wicket defeat in a rainaffected game at Blackheath on Saturday.

Town batted first and managed to get through their 50 overs before the rain came down. The weather limited Blackheath's reply to just 30 overs, but it was enough to inflict another defeat on Liam Tegg's side.

Ashford  $\widetilde{\text{made}}$  a steady start with Simon Taylor (23), Tegg (51) and Luke Reeves (31) all getting among the runs. Australian Kyle McAlister's knock of 69 seemed to then put Ashford on course for a strong total.

However, just as the visitors were beginning to find their rhythm, Paul Valkovics struck and his four wickets stemmed the flow of runs as Ashford reached 214 for 9 at the end of their 50 overs.

Despite a lengthy rain delay, Blackheath came out fighting knowing they had only 30 overs to try and win the game. The hosts didn't waste any time at the crease with half-centuries from Zobie Sharif (55) and Aaron Alley (54) setting the run chase off to a good start.

Ashford bowlers struggled to contain Blackheath with Mohsin Raza providing the only real attack with 2 for 57. In the end Valkovics and Ahmed hit the winning runs with an over to

Town will hope to bounce back when they host Beckenham this Saturday.

# Even the rain couldn't save luckless Ashford



**DEFEAT:** Ashford's bowlers struggled to make an impression as Town fell to another defeat at Blackheath on Saturday

#### **SCORE CARD**

#### **Ashford Town 1st XI**

Runs
Simon Taylor ct Shepherd b Ahmed4
<b>Liam Tegg</b> ct Valkovics b Brathwaite <b>51</b>
Luke Reeves ct Brathwaite b Hands 31
Kyle McAlister run out69
Sam Kennett ct Alley b Valkovics12
Craig Buckham lbw b Valkovics1
James Rodway ct Willetts b Woods9
Thomas Bailey ct Alley b Valkovics 16
Shane Beech ct Sharif b Valkovics1
Mohsin Raza not out5
Steve Tanner not out
Extras (2b 5w 7nb)
<b>Total</b> (9 wickets, 50 overs)

#### **Blackheath 1st XI**

Zobie Sharif ct Buckham b Tegg	. 55
Stuart Fern ct McAlister b Raza	10
Aaron Alley b Raza	. 54
Jack Ford st McAlister b Taylor	. 25
Paul Valkovics not out	. 48
Jahid Ahmed not out	15
Chris Willetts did not bat	
Ruel Brathwaite did not bat	
Matt Shepherd did not bat	
James Hands did not bat	
Richard Woods did not bat	
Extras (4b 1lb 3w)	8
Total (4 wickets, 28.3 overs)	
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29 65 25

#### **LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP**

#### **LORDS EAST KENT LEAGUE DIVISION ONE**

Ashford Town Sunday XI v Rainham 1st XI

ASHFORD Town Sunday XI suffered a four-wicket defeat at the hands of Rainham, despite a valiant century from

The opener gave Ashford the perfect start as he managed to plunder 100 runs before he fell to Chris Small. More runs from Liam Tegg (48) and Neil Tegg (30) followed to earn Ashford a solid 210 to defend.

Town's bowling attack swung into action but a couple of quick wickets failed to disrupt Rainham, led by Bharvir Panesar's 74, as they won with an over to spare.

#### **Ashford Town Sunday XI**

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b Lea			30
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Rainham 1st XI				
				Run
Andy Parkinson				
Bharvir Panesar	ct Ra	za b Tegg .		74
Aaron Hawkins	ct D E	Bailey b T Ba	iley	18
Chris Newman				
Chris Small	ct Tar	nner b Tegg		1
Oliver Lea	lbw b	May		10
Liam Robinson	not oı	ut		14
Alex Reeve	not ou	ut		!
Liam Kelly	did no	ot bat		
Chris Taylor	did no	ot bat		
Thomas Burns	did no	ot bat		
Extras	(7b 8	Blb 6w 5nb		20
Total	(6 wid	ckets, 39 ove	ers)	21
Bowlers				
	0	M	R	W
Mohsin Raza	7	0	22	0
Thomas Bailey	8	1	47	2
Liam Tegg	8	1	34	2
Steve Tanner	8	0	45	0
Darren Bailey	5	0	22	1
James May	3	0	21	1

#### **KENT REGIONAL CRICKET LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP EAST**

#### Mersham Sports 1st XI v Wye 1st XI

A STRONG batting performance from Mersham Sports helped record a convincing seven-wicket win against neighbours Wye.

Wye's innings stuttered at the start and they were in trouble early on at 15 for 2, before Daniel Noden (95) put the visitors back on course. He was backed up by Lloyd Starley (56) as they reached 199 before being bowled out.

Mersham knew a win was within reach and despite the loss of opener Darren Pugh (22), they batted well, David Harman provided the bulk of the runs with an impressive 81 from 93 balls as the hosts cruised to victory.

David Parry				
David Fletcher	ct Sou	thern b Eall	ıam	1
Daniel Noden	b Fagg			95
Giles Starley				
Lloyd Starley	b Tvrre	ell		56
Stuart Wise	b Harn	nan		2
Will Elgar	b Tvrre	ell		0
Alex Woodbridge				
Matt Barlow				
Keith Secrett				
Mark Shannon	not ou	t		0
Extras	(3b 4l	b)		0
Total	(all out	i)		199
Bowlers				
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#### **Mersham Sports 1st XI**

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Darren Pugh	b Wis	e		22
David Harman				
E Holland-Kemp				
Matt Wilson				
Matt Ealham				
Rob Wilson				
Matthew Fagg	did no	t bat		
John Southern	did no	t bat		
Vince Tyrrell	did no	t bat		
John Harman	did no	t bat		
Kevin Wise	did no	t bat		
Extras	5b 3	lb 8w 1nb)		17
Total				
Bowlers				
	0	M	R	W
Will Elgar	8.5	1	44	1
Alex Woodbridge	5	0	38	0
Stuart Wise	9	i	33	i
Keith Secrett	5	Ō	26	0
Mark Shannon	4	0	22	0
Matt Rarlow	ż	ň	11	ň

#### **KENT LEAGUE DIVISION TWO**

#### Catford and Cyphers 1st XI v Tenterden 1st XI

RAIN denied Tenterden the chance to increase their lead at the top of Division Two as their game with Catford and Cyphers had to be abandoned.

Tenterden's bowlers enjoyed the overcast weather conditions as they limited the home side to 200. James Rand did the damage, finishing with figures of 4 for 29.

However, their hard work with the ball looked to be undone after losing their opening batsmen Nick Daynes (0) and Andrew Crawford (11) early on.

Reliable Timir Chanda soon put the innings back on course with a knock of 69, before rain stopped play, with Tenterden 101 for 3 after 22 overs.

> .ct Crawford b Chanda .ct Rand b Baker

Richard Dear	ct Ber	ry b Rand		52
Hoshang Noria	ct Ber	ry b Baker		3
Kyle Perera				
Howard Chambers .				
Dennis Chambers				
Kirk Hamilton				
Neneto Davis				
Sherman Gordon				
Extras				
Total				
Bowlers				
	0	M	R	W
Ben Daking	6.2	0	52	2
James Rand	13	5	29	4
Timir Chanda	15	2	54	2
Mark Rakor		1		2

#### Tenterden 1st XI

Kirk Hamilton

				Runs
Nick Daynes	ct Wh	eal b Gordo	n	0
Andrew Crawford	ct Cha	mbers b De	ar	11
Timir Chanda	b Dea			69
Darren Bailey	not ou	t		6
Tom Ripley				
Paul Brann				
Simon Berry	did no	t bat		
Ben Daking	did no	t bat		
Mark Brann	did no	t bat		
James Rand	did no	t bat		
Mark Baker	did no	t bat		
Extras	(3lb 1	Ow 2nb)		15
Total	(3 wic	kets, 22.1 o	vers)	101
Bowlers				
	0	M	R	W
Sherman Gordon	6.1	0	33	1
Dennis Chambers	3	0	17	0
Richard Dear	7	2	17	2
Neneto Davis	5	Ω	28	0

#### **KENT REGIONAL LEAGUE 1B EAST**

#### Kennington 1st XI v Westbrook 1st XI

AN unbeaten century from Jeremy Grove helped Kennington to a comfortable 78-run win at the weekend.

The hosts batted first and stormed to an impressive 312 for 6 before declaring. Grove played a large part of the innings with an impressive display of skill to score an unheaten 129

Westbrook needed to score quickly to keep their hopes of victory alive and duly responded with Mark Fox's 93. However, the flow of runs soon slowed as Kennington's bowlers pegged them back and dismissed Westbrook for

.....st Fox b Archer

#### **Kennington 1st XI**

Grant Langfield	b Hub	ert		71
Chris Drakeley	lbw b	Hammond		30
Robert Iles				
Alan Hart				
Jeremy Grove				
David Finch				
Joe Jolley				
Andrew Mortley				
Peter Grant				
Unsure				
Extras				
Total				
Bowlers				
	0	M	R	W

ee Pilcher	12	0	80	1
lartin Osborne	5	0	58	0
on Archer	8	0	75	1
ris Hubert	8	2	28	2
om Hammond	4	0	29	1
latt Walton	4	0	31	1

#### Westhrook 1st XI

Kris Hubert	ct Langfield b Watts	29
Mark Fox	st Langfield b Finch	93
Tom Hammond	run out	23
Lewis Thorne	run out	7
Lee Pilcher	ct Watts b Jolley	15
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## **ATHLETICS**



**IN-FORM:** Kim Smith helped Ashford AC to a creditable second in the Southern Women's League

# Team spirit nets girls second spot

AN impressive team effort earned Ashford Athletic Club's women a second-placed finish in their Southern Women's League match at Sutton.

Being right at the start of the exam period and with other athletes not yet returned from university, only 12 athletes were available for the 34 events. The second place finish kept Ashford in fifth overall in the division, well above their target of a top half finish for the season.

The Hanagan sisters, Rachel and Laura, continued their impressive form claiming a win, four seconds and three thirds between them. Rachel clocked 59.6 for second in the 400m, the event she hopes to be selected to run at the English Schools Championships in Birmingham in July. Laura jumped 10.13 metres in the triple jump for second and also her chosen event at English Schools. Kara Gibbs and Emmeline Rendel set a good standard in the jumps.

#### Tough task

Gibbs' successful day continued with wins in the high jump and 100m hurdles, whilst

Rendel teamed up with Kim Smith in the 200m for more valuable points.

Kate Austen, Lesley Hall and Candy Hawkins covered both strings of 800m, 1500m and 3000m between them, which proved to be a tough task.

Newcomer Deborah achieved the required qualifying height in the English Schools Championship this season, continued to shine in the high jump

with a winning jump of 1.55m.
Lizzy Yarnold returned to the team this year to anchor the throws and was part of a competitive shot putt competition where she eventually finished second. Janine Brown, unable to run due to an injury collected in a marathon, turned out to help with the throws. The points accrued turned out to be invaluable as third-placed Luton

finished just half-a-point behind Ashford.

The third match will take place at Crawley on June 26 with the team hoping to be back to full strength.

#### **FOOTBALL**

#### BY TOM HOWARD

ASHFORD Town boss Steve Lovell hopes to announce more additions to his squad this week when he holds talks with two potential new signings today.

The Ashford boss will talk to a defender and a forward at Homelands in the hope of signing the pair for the club's promotion push next

After his side narrowly escaped relegation to After his side narrowly escaped relegation to the Kent League last season, Lovell is keen to bring in a number of new faces to ensure it doesn't happen again. Former Dartford defender Adam Flanagan was the first new face to join Town and Lovell is hoping to announce two more additions this week.

He said: "We've got two players coming down to speak to myself and chairman Don Crosbie and I hope I can sign them both, or at least one of them. We will see what happens

Although Town are expecting to have goalkeepers Scott Chalmers-Stevens and Darren Ibrahim at their disposal next season, Lovell admitted he is actively seeking to bring in another stopper. Former Margate goalkeeper Chalmers-Stevens was Ashford's first choice during the last campaign.

He said: "I've told Scott Chalmers-Stevens that I am looking for another goalkeeper. We



**NEW FACES:** Ashford Town boss Steve Lovell (pictured) hopes to sign a defender and a striker this week

have also got Darren Ibrahim but he needs to get fitter this season. I think if I can bring in another goalkeeper it will keep both Scott and Darren on their toes.'

Lovell hopes to persuade

two new players to join

With more than two months before the new season begins, the Ashford manager intends to complete his transfer dealings and have the majority of his squad put together before July's pre-season fixtures.

He said: "This time of year is usually quite quiet, but I'm fairly happy with how things have gone so far as we build our squad for next season. Ideally I would like to get the majority of my squad together before the first pre-season game. However, there are always a few players you can pick up from the pre-season games and we won't be turning away players who want to join us for pre-season."



**BELOW PAR:** Benn Barham struggled for consistency

# Barham fades away in Telenet Trophy

#### GOLF

INCONSISTENCY cost Benn Barham the chance to challenge for the Telenet Trophy in Belgium last week as he continues his bid to regain his European Tour card. The Ashford golfer put himself in contention

for the title after a solid opening round, but disappointing second and final rounds saw him fade away and finish in tied 48th place.

The 34-year-old started the tournament brightly after carding a three-under-par 69, which was good enough to put him firmly in the top 20. He was unable to continue his form around the greens in the second round as a one-over-par 73 cost him.

He made a comeback in the third round which included a succession of birdies in a three-under-par 69. However, once again errors proved costly in the final round as a disastrous 77 saw him lose touch with the top-30

and he finished the tournament in tied 48th. He is due to tee off in the European Challenge Tour Karnten Golf Open tomorrow.



DISRUPTED: Rain showers limited Tim Reeves' chance of practice ahead of the Isle of Man TT

# Postponed practice race dampens Reeves' hopes

#### **MOTORSPORT**

TIM Reeves' Isle of Man TT preparations suffered a setback at the weekend as rain postponed the opening free practice session of the road racing festival.

The Tenterden-born sidecar racer, who is making his third visit to the island, is one of the favourites to lift the famous trophy on the 37.7-mile road course when racing

begins this Saturday.

The 37- year-old three-time world champion was due to complete his first laps of the notoriously dangerous road course on Saturday. However, persistent rain made the course too dangerous and the free practice

session was subsequently cancelled. Reeves, who finished third on his TT debut in 2008, which remains his best result to date, was also due to take part in practice sessions on Monday and Tuesday. Today will see him in action in the third session which will see his preparations gather momentum ahead of the first race on Saturday.

Last year he finished fourth as a power problem plagued his week on the island. With all the problems fixed on the bike for this year, he will be desperate for TT glory. He said: "It's the world's most famous race

and there is nothing like this on the calendar. I'm just as desperate to win as I've always been.'

Reeves' first of two, three-lap races begins on Saturday at 3pm with his final race next Wednesday. The TT is the only honour missing from his impressive sidecar racing

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